

ROBIN'S COME.
From the elm tree's topmost bough,
Hark! the Robin's early song!
Telling one and all that now
Merry spring-time hastes along;
Welcome daisies dot the ground;
Little harbingers of spring;
Robin's come!

Of the winter we are weary;
Weary of the frost and snow,
Longing for the sunshine cherry,
And the brooklet's gurgling flow;
Gladly then we hear thee sing,
The revivifier of spring;
Robin's come!

Ring it out o'er hill and plain,
Through the garden's lonely bowers,
Till the green leaves dance again,
Till the air is sweet with flowers;
Wake the cowslips by the rill,
Wake the yellow daffodils;
Robin's come!

Then, as thou wert wont of yore,
Build thy nest where thou art young,
Close beside our cottage door,
In the woodbine leaves among;
Hurt or harm thou needst not fear;
Nothing rude shall venture near.
Robin's come!

Swinging still o'er yonder lane,
Robin answers merrily;
Ravished by the sweet refrain,
Alice clasps her hands with glee,
Calling from the open door,
With her soft voice o'er and o'er,
"Robin's come!"

Curing Bacon.
As good bacon is an article of great interest in every family, we furnish the following method of curing it, from the American Farmer, as it may prove beneficial to some of our readers:

Whenever I think the weather cold enough to prevent my pork from spoiling before the salt can penetrate to flesh, preparation is made for killing my hogs. As soon as they are scalded, scoured, and entrails taken out, they are washed out and allowed to dry till my hands have taken their breakfast, then the process of cutting up and salting commences, even while the flesh is quite warm, as experience has taught me that warm flesh will imbibe the salt more readily than cold. Place the salted hogs in a half bushel of salt, and three sides of the smoke house, making them bottoms of strips three inches wide instead of wide plank, so that air may be admitted to the bottom as well as the sides and top of the pork. In packing down, place a row of middlings first on the shelf, next one of shoulders, and lastly the hams on the top. This is as much as I ever put on one tier of shelves. Proceed in like manner till the whole is packed. Use five pecks of salt to the one thousand pounds of meat. The hogs are large, but if the hogs are small one bushel will answer; mix equal parts of powdered saltpetre and red pepper, and apply a table-spoonful to each of the joints before the salt is put on; but if the pork is small half that quantity will be sufficient. If the weather is moderate, six weeks will be long enough for it to remain in salt; if very cold, let it stand two weeks longer.

When the time arrives for hanging up, sift some clean hickory ashes, and after having put the strings into the joints, brush off the salt, (never wash), and apply a coating of fresh ashes to the flesh side of each piece, and hang up carefully; the middlings need no ashes; let it hang three or four days, and dry before you begin to smoke. After that, make one smoke a day only for ten or twelve days. In the month of March, take down your joints and put them into bags of thin cotton cloth, carefully tying each bag around the string by which the pieces of meat were hung up. Hang up again, and let it remain till wanted for use.

NEVER RETRACT.—A distinguished editor was in his study. A long, thin, ghostly-visaged gentleman was announced. With an asthmatic cough, but in a tone of studied civility, for otherwise the editor would have assuredly transcribed him with a fiery paragraph the next morning, the stranger said:

"Sir, your journal of yesterday contained false information."

"Impossible, sir! but tell me what you allude to."

"You said that Mr. M. had been tried."

"True."

"Condemned."

"Very true."

"Hung."

"Most true."

"Now, sir, I am that gentleman himself."

"Impossible!"

"I am sorry to say it is a fact, and now I hope you will contradict what you have alleged."

"By no means, sir."

"How! what do you mean? you are deceived."

"I may be so, sir; but I will not do it."

"I will complain to a magistrate."

"As you please; but I never retract. The most that I can do for you is to announce that the rope broke, and that you are now in perfect health, I have my principles, sir; I never deceive."

Time of Departure of the Ocean Steamers.

| Name. | Leaves For. | Days. |
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| Europa. | Boston. | Liverpool, Oct. 25. |
| Baltic. | New York. | Liverpool, Oct. 26. |
| Adriatic. | New York. | Havre, Oct. 31. |
| Africa. | New York. | Liverpool, Nov. 1. |
| Washington. | New York. | Bremen, Nov. 4. |
| Niagara. | Liverpool. | New York, Oct. 18. |
| Albatross. | Liverpool. | New York, Oct. 18. |
| Glasgow. | Glasgow. | New York, Oct. 18. |
| St. Louis. | Havre. | New York, Oct. 21. |
| Atlantic. | Liverpool. | New York, Nov. 1. |

50-The California steamers leave New York on the 5th and 30th of each month.

LIST OF ARRIVALS AT THE HOTELS.

Brown's Hotel.—T. & M. BROWN.

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| C. Meyer, Pa. | J. Allen & family, Va. |
| J. H. Felt, Ind. | J. J. Raley, do. |
| W. D. Tucker, Miss | K. Hard, do. |
| O. Wheeler, Pa. | P. H. Bailey & son, Va. |
| A. O. Plannigan, do | J. S. Peshine & lady, NJ |
| A. G. Wells, do | M. Palmer & lady, do |
| R. Duffield, do | P. H. Hines, Jr., DC |
| R. M. Mitchell, Ohio | J. L. Burton, Va. |
| C. M. Childs, NY | T. J. Spaulding, do |
| A. Garwood, Pa | P. Hager, do |
| D. B. Bell, NY | A. W. Tomlinson & family, do |
| T. B. Glover, Va | S. Torrey & lady, do |
| T. S. Sinclair, Md | J. Crissey, NY |
| M. Pollock, do | W. L. Piper, Md |
| J. B. Hart, Va | W. H. McDonald, NY |
| J. D. Carmack, do | A. Ferguson, Va |
| T. Howard, do | J. S. Powers, Pa |

WILLIAMS' Hotel.—H. A. & J. C. WILLIAMS.

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| G. B. Robertson, NJ | C. F. Mason & lady, Va. |
| D. W. Anderson, USA | M. F. L. Matthews, do |
| C. Ayer, NY | R. B. Funnell, do |
| W. H. Odell, do | J. A. Washington, lady, do |
| M. Deane, Ala | K. Hard, do |
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| A. W. Pitzer, Va | M. S. Patterson, do |
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United States Hotel.—R. B. HACKETT.

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| A. Brogan, NY | W. A. Maddox, Va |
| I. H. Evans, do | A. Doffield, Ky |
| L. C. Jones, NY | P. Suttan, lady & child, do |
| C. P. Kish, do | D. Conan, NY |
| C. Kish, do | E. Brown, NJ |
| W. J. Lawrence, do | E. K. Rusk, Va |
| G. Morgan, do | |

Empire Hotel.—G. A. REEFERBOWER.

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| J. C. Johnson, Pa | R. White, Ala |
| D. McNelly, Pa | C. J. Paul, NY |
| J. L. Roberts & lady, do | A. H. Riley, Ohio |
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sentative in Congress, I had purchased of you, for
the use of my father in Scotland, one dozen bot-
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sires you to forward another dozen bottles. He
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Scrofula of a Cancerous form. So extensive was the
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burden to myself and family. I had obtained the
best medical aid in our State, without any abate-
ment of the disease. Through a friend I procured
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so, so perfect was the cure, that hundreds visited me.
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purpose I beg I will afflicted with Scrofula in any form
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